

# Frequently Asked Questions & Information Regarding Your Driveway Paving

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## Driveway Care Information

### Vehicle Traffic

After your driveway is paved, you will need to keep vehicles off of the asphalt for 72 hours or even longer in hotter temperatures. Even after the asphalt has cured, do not expect it to be as hard as concrete. Your asphalt will remain pliable for a period of 8 to 12 months until the liquid asphalt has totally cured.

### Prevent Scarring

During the first 8 to 12 months while your asphalt pavement is curing, try not to park in the same spot every time. Avoid turning the steering wheel while your car is not moving. Doing so may create "power steering marks." This "scuffing" is normal and will subside as the pavement cures. Turn the wheel slowly and gradually as to not scar the asphalt.

### Gasoline - Motor Oil

Gasoline, motor oil, transmission fluid and power steering fluid, if spilled, will penetrate through the asphalt. The damaged surfaces should be repaired as soon as possible

### Sealcoating

Asphalt should be Sealcoated every 2 to 4 years depending on the amount of traffic. It is not recommended to Sealcoat new asphalt during the first 12 months. This may cause asphalt to soften and prevent it from curing. Sealcoating will enhance the appearance and preserve the the life of your asphalt, as well as protect your asphalt from oil, gas, and other harmful fluids. Unsealed asphalt may dry out and become rough, thus reducing its useful life.

### It's Only Natural

Asphalt has various sizes of stone and sand, which cause a varied textured surface.

Due to expansion and contraction of the ground, it is natural for random cracking of the pavement to occur. The cracks should be sealed promptly to prevent water from penetrating the asphalt and causing further deterioration of the pavement.